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SUBJ: FINANCING THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD (IYC) --
RESPONSE TO UNICEF DIRECTOR LABOUISSSE'S LETTER
OF MAY 5

1. QUOTED AS PARAGRAPH THREE OF THIS CABLE IS THE TEXT OF
A LETTER DATED MAY 25 AMBASSADOR LEONARD SENT TO
UNICEF DIRECTOR LABOUISSSE IN RESPONSE TO LABOUISSSE'S LETTER
TO AMBASSADOR YOUNG(YOUNG IS STILL IN AFRICA) OF MAY 5
REQUESTING INFORMATION PRIOR TO MAY 26 ON THE STATUS OF A
POSSIBLE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE OPERATIONAL COSTS OF THE
IYC. FYI, THE TEXT OF THE LEONARD RESPONSE HAS BEEN
COORDINATED WITH THE DEPARTMENT. THE TEXT OF THE LABOUISSSE
LETTER IS QUOTED AS PARAGRAPH TWO OF THIS CABLE.

2. QUOTE: BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR,

ON 15 MARCH 1977 I HAD THE HONOUR OF WRITING TO YOU
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CONCERNING THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILED. ON THE
EVE OF MY DEPARTURE FOR MANILA TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE UNICEF EXECUTIVE BOARD, MAY I RESPECTFULLY CALL
ATTENTION TO PARAGRAPH 9 OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION
31/169 WHICH REQUESTS ME TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY THROUGH ECOSOC AT ITS JULY SESSION ON THE LEVEL
OF CONTRIBUTIONS PLEDGED TOWARDS THE OPERATIONAL COSTS

OF THE YEAR.

PLEDGES SO FAR RECEIVED TOTAL \$1.3 MILLION OUT OF THE
\$4.2 MILLION ESTIMATED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AS REQUIRED
TO COVER THE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE YEAR.

ON MAY 26, THE UNICEF EXECUTIVE BOARD IS SCHEDULED TO
CONSIDER THE MATTER OF IYC, INCLUDING THE IYC SECRETARIAT'S
STAFFING AND BUDGET. IN LIGHT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTION AND BECAUSE THE UNICEF BOARD WILL BE DISCUSSING
THIS MATTER SHORTLY, IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF ANY
CONTRIBUTIONS OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TOWARDS THESE EXPENSES
COULD BE PLEDGED BY THE TIME OF THE DISCUSSIONS IN THE
UNICEF BOARD.

WITH KIND REGARDS,

SINCERELY YOURS,

HENRY R. LABOUISSSE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

END TEXT. UNQUOTE.

3. QUOTE: BEGIN TEXT.

MAY 25, 1977

MR. HENRY R. LABOUISSSE
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UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND
866 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA
UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK 10017

DEAR MR. LABOUISSSE:

IN THE ABSENCE OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG, WHO IS STILL IN
AFRICA, I AM REPLYING TO YOUR LETTER TO HIM OF MAY 5,
1977, WITH REGARD TO CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL
YEAR OF THE CHILD (IYC).

UNFORTUNATELY, IT SEEMS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT USUN WILL
BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH ANY AFFIRMATIVE OR EVEN
ENCOURAGING INFORMATION BY THE TIME OF THE UNICEF EXECU-
TIVE BOARD MEETING ON MAY 26 WITH RESPECT TO THE POSITION
OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO
THE IYC. I CHECKED WITH WASHINGTON AGAIN YESTERDAY AND
WAS INFORMED THAT PRESENTLY THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR
SUCH A CONTRIBUTION IN THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S

FY 1978 BUDGET PROPOSAL PRESENTLY BEFORE THE CONGRESS.
I WAS ALSO INFORMED THAT THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS
COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAVE RECENTLY
DELETED FUNDS EARLIER PROPOSED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE SUB-
COMMITTEES FOR A U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE ICY AT THIS
JUNCTURE.

I AM SORRY NOT TO BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU A MORE ENCOURAGING
REPLY AT THIS TIME.

SINCERELY YOURS,

JAMES F. LEONARD
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